

Year	Quantity (Mill. Sq. Mtrs.)	Production (Rs. in crores)			Employment (Figures in lakhs)		
		Khadi Value	V.I. Rs. Rs.	Total	Khadi	V.I.	Total
1997-	104.20	624.10	3895.21	4519.31	14.01	42.49	56.50
98	98.20	635.89	4476.48	5112.37	13.85	44.44	58.29
1998-	83.98	551.94	5613.41	6165.35	12.35	46.88	59.23
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The Margin Money Scheme has been introduced *with effect from 1.4.1995* replacing the Interest Subsidy Scheme in the Village Industries sector. All ongoing programmes of the village industries sector have been merged into the Margin Money Scheme. Under this scheme the margin money @ 25% is given on the cost of the project upto Rs. 10 lakhs and an additional 10% of the project cost above Rs. 10 lakhs but upto Rs. 25 lakhs. Emphasis is being laid on the quality and marketing of products.

Development of SSI in Assam

3777. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- whether Khadi and Village Industries Commission has chalked out any programmes for promotion and development of small scale industries in Assam;
- if so, the details thereof; and
- if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) (a) to (c) The Khadi and Village and Industries Commission (KVIC) is implementing the Margin Money Scheme for setting up rural industries including agro industries all over India including Assam. Under this scheme margin money at the rate of 25% of the cost of the project upto Rs. 10 lakhs and an additional 10% for the cost of the project above Rs. 10 lakhs and upto Rs. 25 lakhs is provided as subsidy to entrepreneurs. However, for the North-Eastern Region the margin money is given

at a rate of 30% instead of 25% Moreover, the minimum contribution of enterprcneurs of the North-Eastern Region is 5% against 10% in other States.

Criteria for allocation of funds under PMRY

3778. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria laid down for allocation of funds to the States under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana;

(b) the break-up of funds allocated to the States during the last three years;

(c) whether the funds were not allocated proportionately to Karnataka; and

(d) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken to make up the shortfall and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana funds are released for subsidy, training, contingency etc. The funds for subsidy are authorised to the Reserve Bank of India and are not released to the States/UTs. The funds for training, contingency, etc. are released to the States/UTs. The criteria laid down for allocation of funds for training, contingency, etc. is given in Statement-1. (*See* below)

(b) The Statement-II showing the break-up of funds allocated to the States/UTs for training, contingency, etc. during the last three years i.e. 1998-99; 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 is annexed (*See* below)

(c) and (d) The funds allocated to Karnataka were as per the criteria laid down under the Scheme.